GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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CITIZENSHIP TO TERRORISTS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any information has been recently received on the hideouts of the foreign trained terrorists involved in terrorist activities at Varanasi as reported in the Rastriya Sahara dated April 07, 2006;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether such terrorists have acquired citizenship in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to check the activities of terrorists?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): Some of the terrorists believed to be behind the Varanasi incidents were staying at Phoolpur and Baraut in U.P.

(c): There are no such reports.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): The Central Government pursues a multi dimensional approach to deal with terrorist activities and extends support to the State in neutralizing such activities. In order to curb terrorist activities, the Government has taken measures which include border management to check infiltration, galvanizing intelligence machinery, ensuring improved technology, weaponry and equipment of security forces both at the Centre and in the States, neutralizing plans of terrorists by well coordinated intelligence based operations. Besides, steps have also been taken to achieve bilateral and multilateral cooperation to deal with the menace of terrorism, given its global dimensions.